

SENATE BILL 2153

By Tate

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 53-8-204 and Section 68-14-704, relative to handling of ready-to-eat foods.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-14-704, is amended by deleting subdivision (8).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-14-704, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and adding the following as subsection (b):

(b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a food service establishment may permit bare hand contact with ready-to-eat foods, unless the establishment has shown that the specific contact presents a verifiable risk to public health or safety.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.